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COMMENT OF THE DAY

This Recognition Question

THIS scarcely-concealed annoyance with which US administration leaders received the announcement that Egypt has extended recognition to the Peking government is a little hard to understand. President Eisenhower considers the decision to be "mistaken" and Mr. Foster Dulles regards it as "wrong."

Presumably they are more concerned over the implications of the act. It is not usual for one nation to sit in judgment on another and question the propriety of its establishing diplomatic relations with a third power. The freedom of Egypt or any other country to extend recognition to the People's Republic of China cannot be questioned; and there appears to be no good reason why the wisdom of the decision should be publicly challenged.

IT cannot be claimed that anybody was taken unawares by Egypt's action. Abundant signs have been visible that Egypt was leaning towards recognition. The Afro-Asian conference in Bandung provided the foundation for the formulating of Sino-Egyptian relations. More recently the two governments signed a trade agreement. Mutual diplomatic recognition then became inevitable.

Washington's fear is that Egypt will allow herself to be dragged into the Communist net. The danger is more apparent than real. Colonel Nasser, it is true, has been flirting with the Communists for the purpose of obtaining military supplies unobtainable in quantity from elsewhere. But Nasser is not the kind of man to sell his country's independence inheritance for a potage of Communist duplicity. It would mean his own political undoing.

BUT Egypt's recognition of the Peking government is a further reminder that the Afro-Asian nations are going to insist more and more on the right to fully independent action in the field of diplomatic relations.

As the Communist bloc, headed by Russia, are completely unimpressed by curious diplomatic utterances such as "massive retaliation," so are a growing number of Afro-Asian countries left cold by equally curious diplomatic "threats" of "agonising reappraisal" of American policy."

A reappraisal of some features of American foreign policy might be useful, more particularly that which tends to be influenced by the insistence that any nation officially acknowledging the existence of the Peking government is automatically tainted with the brush of infidelity to the free world.

Sun Yat-sen's Narrow Escape

When Sun Yat-sen's life was almost cut short in London, this Saturday the China Mail highlights Harold Walton's story of The Prisoner in Portland Place.

It is only one of a number of first-class feature stories appearing in the big week-end family favourite newspaper.

Watch out also for Trevor Evans' inquest into Harry Pollitt's fall from London's Little Kremlin. He asks: DID he fall or WAS he pushed?

These are only some of the feature highlights. Then there are these:

★ Maurice Manning tells what happens when foreigners try to see the ordinary Russian in his home.

★ Having beaten the sound, then the heat barrier, NOW Chapman Pincher says we have to beat the Brain Barrier.

★ René MacColl tells what happened to him when he tried to cover the threatened invasion of British Honduras by Guatemala in 1948.

In addition: Jane Roberts reviews films current and coming. There are three pages of local and overseas pictures, special sections for women, children and sportmen, comic strip, cartoons — and Glits — all in the China Mail.

SERVICE CHIEFS FOR RUSSIA?

And The Man Who Got The Invitation



General Twining

Nathan Twining Gets Invitation From Sokolovsky

Washington, May 24.

The Soviet Government has invited two or three high ranking American officers to Russia to take part in ceremonies marking Soviet Aviation Day on June 24, it was officially announced today.

The Soviet invitation was extended by Marshal Sokolovsky, Soviet Chief-of-Staff of the armed forces.

It was delivered to General Nathan Twining, U.S. Air Force Chief-of-Staff, by the military attache of the Soviet Embassy in Washington on May 21.

Authoritative American circles indicated that the Soviet invitation might be the first step toward a broader invitation which would be extended to the Chiefs-of-Staff of the U.S. Armed Forces.

What Does It Mean?

A White House spokesman indicated earlier today he would not be surprised if the Joint Chiefs-of-Staff accepted such an invitation.

However, no invitation had yet been sent to them. Authoritative sources considered also that the Soviet invitation might indicate a desire on the part of the Soviet Government to proceed with an exchange of visits of members of the armed forces of the two countries.

They said the Soviet invitation might have some relation to the recently announced Soviet decision to reduce its armed forces by 1,200,000 men.

They recalled that American spokesmen greeted the proposal favourably, but said the move would have much greater importance if it could be verified on the spot.

YARD WANTS TO KNOW

WHO'S FORGING FIVERS?

London, May 24. Police are searching England for a skilful forger of £5 notes.

This was revealed today at a London court by Chief Inspector James Marr of Scotland Yard.

He said it was the most serious case of forgery in England for the last 20 years.

He was giving evidence during the hearing of a case of a shopkeeper who had been found in possession of seven of these forged £5 notes. — France-Presse.

BAN ON GH VISITORS' BOOK

Nicosia, May 24. An official statement today said the Governor of Cyprus, Sir John Harding, had decided there would be no signing of the Visitors Book at Government House on Queen Elizabeth's official birthday on May 31 in view of the present situation in Cyprus.

The Queen's official birthday is being observed on Thursday, May 31, instead of the usual first Thursday in June, because this year the Queen will be making visits out of London and will pay a State visit to Sweden. The Queen observed her "private" birthday on April 21, when she was 30. — China Mail Special.

GAZA BORDER TO GET 21 MORE OBSERVERS

United Nations, May 24. The United Nations Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, announced today that 21 more military observers would be sent to the Middle East to reinforce the U.N. Palestine Armistice Control Commission.

The new observers, from Norway, Sweden, Australia, Canada and New Zealand, will bring the total number of military observers on the Israeli-Arab border lines up to 61.

Mr Hammarskjold announced on his return to New York two weeks ago that one positive result of his study mission in the Middle East had been to bring the Israeli and Egyptian governments to accept an increase in the number of neutral truce observers.

Meanwhile, negotiations are going ahead in Palestine to determine the location of the additional observation posts.

The Palestine Truce Commission General E. L. M. Burns has proposed the establishment of six posts on either side of the Gaza demarcation line.

Canada will provide five of the new observers, and Norway, Sweden, Australia and New Zealand, four each. — France-Presse.

23 BODIES TAKEN FROM FIRE WRECK?

Manila, May 25. Bodies of 21 children and two adults have been recovered from the wreck of the motor-boat, "Boat 1" which was destroyed by fire off Leyte Island on Wednesday.

The report however is still unconfirmed.

The "Boat 1" carrying over 100 pilgrims to the coastal town of Capiz on northern Leyte from Cebu, a town on a neighbouring island, burned and sank as it was reaching its goal, the Philippines' Nuclear Service said.

Earlier reports have said that 15 were known dead and 12 were missing. Other reports have said that "more than 20" had died.

One of the rescued was reported as saying that people strangled

in the water for about one hour before the rescue boat reached the scene. — United Press.

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Ike Will Decide

Washington, May 24. President Eisenhower will make the final decision whether high ranking American officers will go to the Soviet Union, informed sources said today.

Marshal Sokolovsky's invitation is now being studied by chiefs of the U.S. armed forces, the sources said.

Meanwhile, Senator Richard Russell (Democrat) Chairman of the Senate Armed Forces Committee, said it might be "a good thing" for American military chiefs to visit the Soviet Union.

He added: "And I would favour inviting Soviet Defence Minister, Marshal George Zhukov and others for a return visit here." — France-Presse.

AA GUNS DOWN F-84 JET

Tokyo, May 25. Chinese anti-aircraft batteries yesterday shot down a Nationalist F-84 jet fighter and damaged another in the Swatow area, Radio Peking reported today.

The radio heard in Tokyo, said the action took place when four Nationalist F-84s "intruded into the air space over Swatow."

The radio said the plane which was shot down fell into the sea near the offshore island of Nan-Peng.

It gave no further details.

United Press.

Civil War In Sudan

Kampala, May 24. Fighting has flared up in the southern Sudan and the situation there is not mutiny but a civil war, an African member from Northern Uganda Mr. Antonio Opoa, told Uganda's Legislative Council today.

He warned members of the council: "Let us not make the same mistakes as the Sudan."

Mr Opoa said two natives of the southern Sudan visited his home in Gulu, near the Sudan border, this week and asked him to tell the Uganda Government fighting had flared up again in their country.

"They want the whole world to know that what is taking place in the Sudan is not a mutiny but a civil war," Mr Opoa said.

He added: "The same thing may happen in Uganda when the British Government decides to retire." — Reuter.

Rebellion

Tegucigalpa, May 24. The Honduras authorities sent military planes to La Paz Department today to check a rebellion, reported to have broken out in Mercedes village.

A group of 100 rebels supporting the opposition candidate, Ramon Villeda Morales, reportedly took control of the village. — France-Presse.

11 Die In Smash

Bombay, May 24. Eleven bus passengers were killed and 25 others injured in a collision with a train at a level crossing on the Rajkot-Osra line in Saurashtra state today. No one on the train was hurt. — Reuter.

U.S. Wants More Trade With Satellites

Washington, May 24. The Secretary of Commerce, Mr Sinclair, said today the United States would explore the possibilities of increased trade in peaceful goods with the European satellites.

He said no consideration was being given to restoring trade with China.

"We are not giving any consideration to that whatever we are going along as we have been," he said.

Mr Weeks said he was sending to the President and Congress today a report which showed that United States commercial shipments to Soviet Russia and its European satellites in 1955 (exclusive of flood relief shipments) were \$6,732,000 compared with exports of \$2,893,000 in 1954.

Export license approvals to the European Soviet bloc in the first quarter of 1956 totalled \$8,581,850 against \$1,024,856 in the fourth quarter of 1955 and \$4,969,322 in the first quarter of 1954.

NO DESPAIR

"Our policy in respect to European Soviet bloc countries is clear," said Mr Weeks. "We are not lowering our military guard, we are not exporting to the Soviet bloc either goods of strategic significance or the technical data from which such goods could be produced. But we offer every opportunity for trade in peaceful goods."

"We will not join those who despair that the curse of war cannot be held in check and that mankind has no better future than hate and fear and inevitable doom."

"We are willing to explore any avenue that might result in an exchange of products in which the net balance is to our advantage and which can advance peace and goodwill among all peoples."

Asked what other countries were doing to increase trade with Communist countries, Mr Weeks said Britain had shown a desire to ease restrictions on the China trade.

"The longer we stay at peace and the more normal the world becomes, the more pressure there will be for building up trade," he said. — United Press.

JAPAN TO ADMIT PEKING MISSION

But Trade Only And Some Privileges

London, May 24. The Japanese Government has agreed to exchange civilian trade representatives with China, according to Kyodo report, quoted by the New China News Agency tonight.

A decision to this effect was jointly made on Tuesday last by the Japanese Ministers of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Industry, and Justice, the dispatch said.

It was also decided that entry requirements for the Chinese representatives would be further studied by the Ministers of Foreign Affairs and Justice, the agency added.

The Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Mamoru Shigeno, later said the reason why Japan gave permission for the establishment of a Chinese Trade Mission was that it intended to conduct as much trade as possible with China, within the scope permitted. Internationally, the New China News Agency continued.

CHINA'S CLAIM

The Minister of International Trade and Industry, Mr. Taisan Iimori said that "in order to increase trade with China" the Japanese Government would consider giving the Chinese Trade Mission "special privileges" but not diplomatic.

Under these privileges, Chinese trade representatives would not be required to renew "visas every six months or to be fingerprinted," the agency said. — Reuter.

MAN WHO OUDED GLUBB IS ON TOP

Amman, May 24.

One of the men behind the dismissal of Lieutenant-General Sir John Glubb as Commander of the Arab Legion, 33-year-old Lieutenant-Colonel Ali Abu Nuwar, was today appointed the Legion's new commanding officer.

The Defence Minister, Mohammed Ali Ajlani, announced that Brigadier Radl Innab, who succeeded Sir John Glubb, has had his resignation accepted by King Hussein and that Lieutenant-Colonel Nuwar has been appointed acting Chief of the General Staff.

Brigadier Innab who is over 60, had been expected to retire. He was a deputy Chief of Staff under Sir John Glubb.

'EXILED'

Lieutenant-Colonel Nuwar was one of the leaders of the small group of young officers, known as the "free officers" group, who opposed Sir John Glubb and who persuaded the King that the British commander should be dismissed.

He had been "exiled" by Sir John Glubb, serving as the Jordan military attache in Paris. Last year, he met King Hussein in France, and as a result of that meeting a close friendship developed between them. Lieutenant-Colonel Nuwar was later recalled to Jordan on the King's insistence.

The new commander served in Palestine during the last war and during the Arab-Israel war and has also attended the British staff college at Camberley, Surrey.

He said in a recent interview that Sir John had "deliberately centralized all military and political power in Jordan in his own person." He said that Sir John had been "the worst enemy to Anglo-Jordan understanding."

He emphasized that Jordan wanted to retain her close ties with Britain and the financial assistance for which, he said, Britain was given bases here. — NOT EGYPT

He dismissed any suggestion that Jordan would abrogate the Anglo-Jordan treaty, and revealed that a Jordan military mission which had recently visited Egypt had turned down a "genuine financial offer from Egypt

New Attempt To Discredit US Policies?

PRAVDA ATTACKS SWOOP ON AMERICAN REDS

By John Rettie

Moscow, May 24.

Pravda, the Soviet Communist Party newspaper, today launched a new violent attack on "reactionary forces" in the United States for making "new attempts to fan anti-Communist hysteria."

It referred to the raids carried out last March on Communist Party and Daily Worker offices in New York, San Francisco, Chicago, and other American cities by officials of the United States Treasury in an income-tax checkup.

The newspaper, in one of the sharpest anti-American articles for some time, declared that this "hysteria campaign" revealed that "certain circles in the United States were extremely worried by the lessening of international tensions."

Claim Credit

Claiming credit for Russia in reducing international tensions, Pravda said: "The reactionary circles of the United States see the main propaganda triumphs slipping out of their hands and that is why these forces decided to resort to provocation against the United States Communist Party."

The fact that Pravda waited nearly two months before launching an attack has led some observers to speculate that the article might herald a new all-out onslaught against the so-called American "reactionary forces."

It was thought that the Soviet leaders, after their meetings with the British and French leaders, might feel confident enough for a final effort to isolate the United States and discredit her policy both at home and abroad.—China Mail Special.

DIM RAY OF HOPE

He added: "There is a dim ray of hope visible on the horizon. Several countries are inclining to peace shield (the five principles of co-existence) and some have already accepted it."

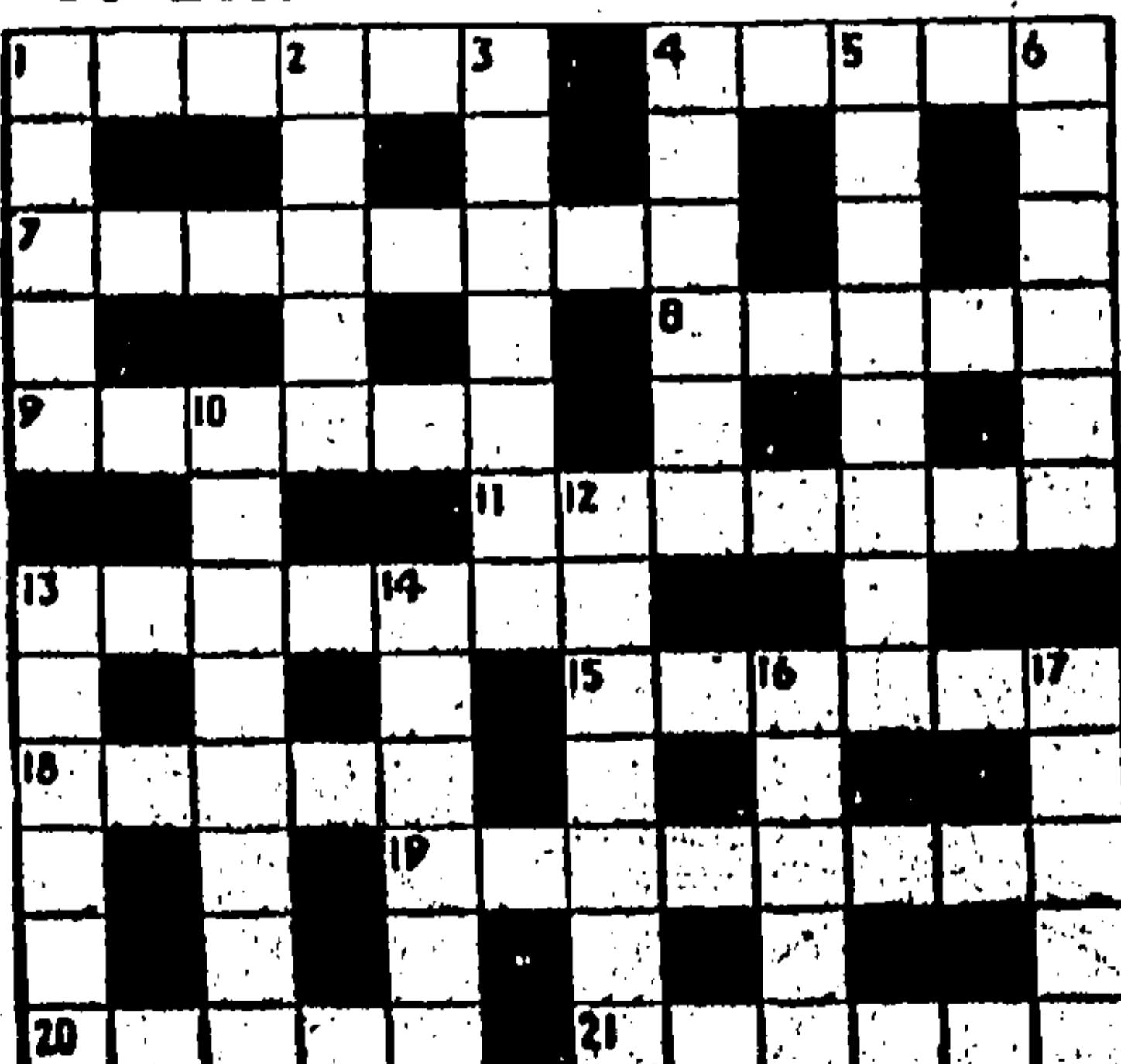
The Prime Minister, Mr Nehru, said the world had started realising that the atom bomb was not the remedy for the atom bomb.

"A dim ray of hope of peace is dawning on the world's horizon. But it is dim because it is born of fear and apprehension of the atom bomb," he said.

Mr Nehru quoted Buddha's teaching that hatred could be wiped out by love and Buddha's opposition to caste discrimination, both among individuals and nations, — Reuter.

Peking, May 24. A seven-member cultural delegation from the Argentine, led by Americo Nunziata, arrived in Peking by air today, Peking radio reported tonight, — France-Presse.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Flight (6).
- Chopper (6).
- Opening (8).
- Special destination (8).
- Insect (6).
- Perfume (7).
- Trespass (7).
- Bakery (6).
- Couples (8).
- Revolving (6).
- Mourning train (8).
- Menage (6).

- Henry fall (6).
- Noblemen (5).
- Had confidence in (?)
- Summary (6).
- Says "yes" (6).
- Rigorous (6).
- Servant (6).
- Replie (7).
- Be imbibed (6).
- Tree (6).
- Vision (6).

Yacht Built In Backyard

Auckland, May 24. A yachtsman in Auckland, New Zealand, is planning to sail to England in a boat he has built in a backyard. He is Mr. Mark Anthony, of Dedwood Terrace, Ponsonby.

Mr Anthony, who is a retired engineer, has spent three-and-a-half years building his craft. It is a luxury auxiliary yacht, 42 ft long, with a 12 ft beam, six draught, and a larch rig.

He has built the vessel, a sleek, flush-decked, all-kauri affair, practically unashed.

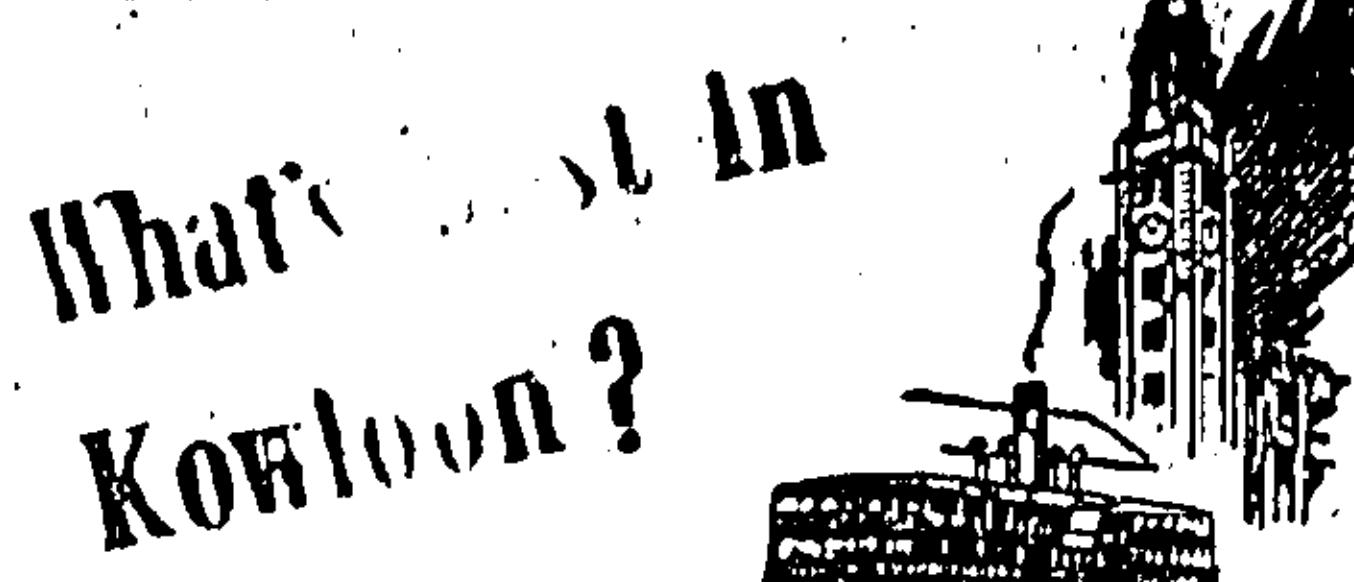
A shipmate assisted him for a few months with the planklaying, and one of his sons has helped from time to time.

The yacht, which has been named Rangi—meaning "chief", has two wheels—one on deck and one below.

An old ocean-going hand, Mr Anthony believes there is no sense in getting wet when possible.

Construction of the Rangi occupied Mr. Anthony for 12 hours a day since the end of 1953.—China Mail Special.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Spur; 4. Telling; 8. Oval; 9. Month; 10. Shallow; 11. Sust.; 12. Sore; 14. Services; 17. Arches; 19. Adds; 22. Spectre; 26. Hail; 27. Body; 28. Cobble; 29. Idol; 30. Year; 31. Shrub; 32. Grow; 33. Down; 34. Prefer; 35. House; 36. Almond; 37. Elated; 38. Thyme; 7. Nails; 11. Stale; 13. Mile; 15. Dope; 16. Sort; 18. Grapes; 20. Drying; 21. Bloody; 23. Prism; 24. Pi. Down: 1. Canteen; 2. Sled; 3. Grief; 4. Sled; 5. Sled; 6. Sled; 7. Sled; 8. Sled; 9. Sled; 10. Sled; 11. Sled; 12. Sled; 13. Sled; 14. Sled; 15. Sled; 16. Sled; 17. Sled; 18. Sled; 19. Sled; 20. Sled; 21. Sled; 22. Sled; 23. Sled; 24. Sled; 25. Sled; 26. Sled; 27. Sled; 28. Sled; 29. Sled; 30. Sled; 31. Sled; 32. Sled; 33. Sled; 34. Sled; 35. Sled; 36. Sled; 37. Sled; 38. Sled; 39. Sled; 40. Sled; 41. Sled; 42. Sled; 43. Sled; 44. Sled; 45. Sled; 46. Sled; 47. Sled; 48. Sled; 49. Sled; 50. Sled; 51. Sled; 52. Sled; 53. Sled; 54. Sled; 55. Sled; 56. Sled; 57. Sled; 58. Sled; 59. Sled; 60. 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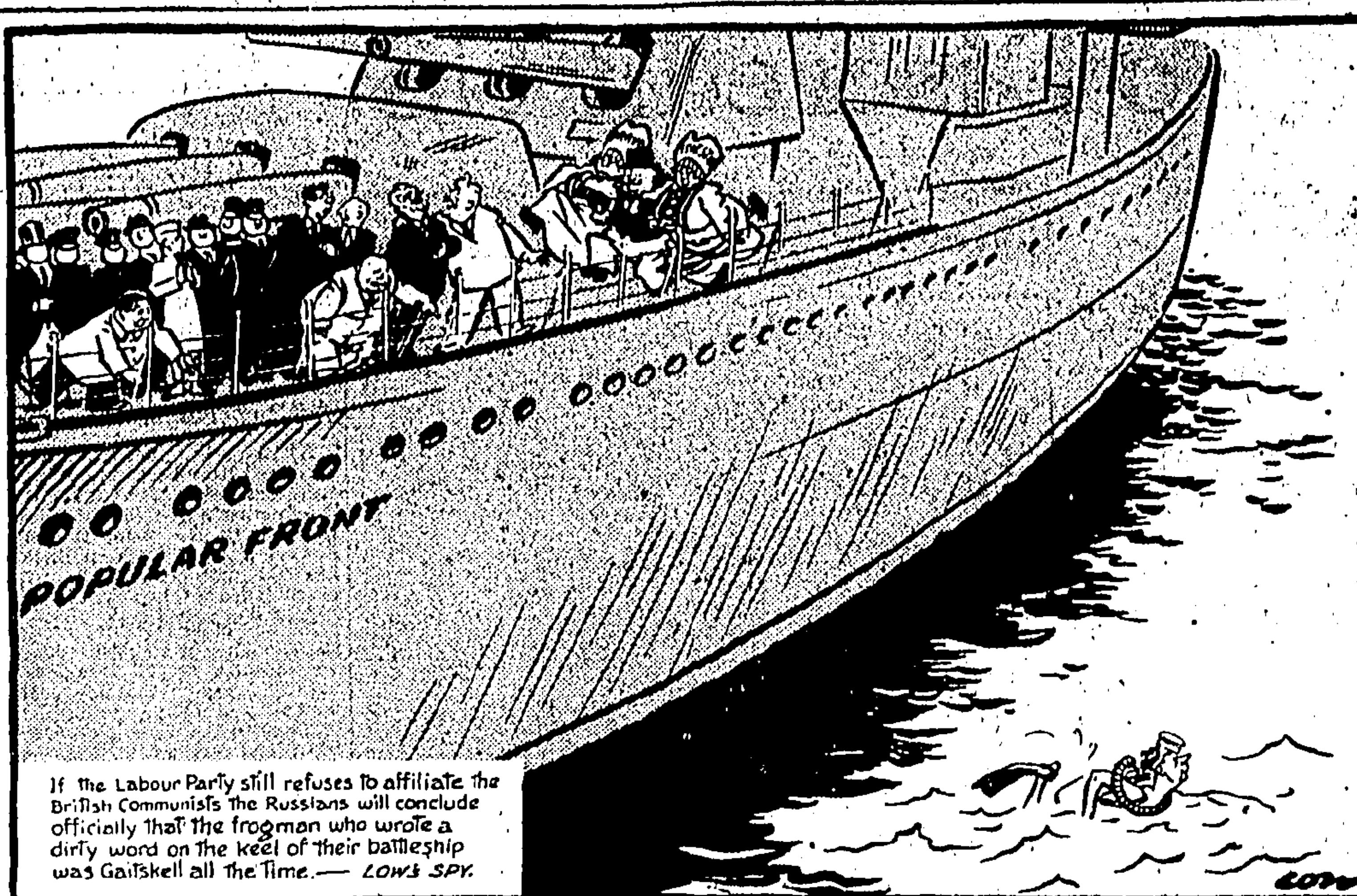
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CANNES . . . A LAST LOOK AROUND THE DEADPAN MOGUL LOSES £10,000 WITHOUT A FLICKER

by THOMAS
WISEMAN

SOMEbody once said that there were two great thrills of life. The first to win at gambling. The second to lose at gambling. If there is any truth in this saying I can state authoritatively that there were at least some people at the Cannes film festival who had a thrilling time.

For if it is difficult to win at the Casino, losing is fairly easy—and a thrill that is within the reach of everyone.

On this basis, Hollywood film mogul Darryl F. Zanuck was having more thrills than anyone else at Cannes. Every night you could see him at the Casino, an example of deadpan acting, at his best, staking a million francs (£1,000) on the draw of a card.

Next to him, his constant companion, actress Bella Darvi, diamonds sparkling on her fingers, a mink stole draped over bare shoulders, was also giving a few kicks as she placed her £500 counters on distributing table mats.

Cigar in mouth

SOME nights Mr Zanuck was £10,000 up; other nights he was down. But always he came back to his same place at the baccarat table, cigar in mouth. His face, as bored as Bogart's, as his thousand-pound counters were scooped away, or alternatively quadrupled.

You could hear a diamond ring drop as he looked at his cards, but only the spectators were guilty of such bad form as a show of emotion. Next to him actress Bella Darvi played heraces as royally as if she were playing a Queen.

To see someone losing several thousand pounds in a couple of seconds without blinking an eyelid is to come to the conclusion that money is a much overrated commodity. Shove-hapenny, I remember, was never played with such unconcern.

THE following day, having lost £600 francs at roulette without managing to squeeze a single thrill out of it, I rang the man who finds it so entertaining to lose £10,000.

He was staying at Cap d'Antibes; we arranged to meet in Cannes for cocktails.

He arrived wearing beach shorts and a blue casual shirt, his bare feet sinning into the pile carpets.

This was Zanuck, the last of the Hollywood moguls—the man who makes stars as other men make shadows on walls. You notice immediately about this man that he is very small, with out shoes: five feet five, I would say. That he is preoccupied. And that he is in agony, even when he is on holiday.

He had no sooner sat down and asked for a dry martini than he thought of something and asked the waiter to get him Los Angeles on the tele-

phone. His eyes are like secret dossiers: full of coded messages.

Why had he come to Europe and resigned as production chief of 20th Century-Fox Studios?

"I wanted to make pictures. I had become a business administrator. Then there was the tax matter." (A salaried man pays three times as much tax as a producer taking a percentage.)

"Won't you miss the power?"

"Power? I guess I don't know what it feels like. I've always had it as far as I can remember."

"(At 24 he was head of Warner Bros. Studios and responsible for making stars like Edward G. Robinson, James Cagney.) He added: "As principal stockholder of Fox I think I shall still have enough of that, too."

"Didn't it give you some satisfaction—being a man who could make stars?"

"Nobody can make stars. You can only make pictures. Sometimes if you're lucky and the pictures are good, they can make stars."

Stories with themes

HIS interest in movies is obsessive and he is interested in stories with themes. It would be true to say of him that to make a film that makes money

is only more thrilling than to make one that loses money. The film he has planned now—is to be made in Europe—is of Ernest Hemingway's first novel, "Fiesta."

A subject of this kind is almost as much of a gamble as baccarat, and one feels that it holds for Zanuck the same sort of fascination.

"Fiesta" is the story of a man sexually incapacitated by a war wound.

There would be many easier books to write. Zanuck is going to make "Fiesta." And the basic situation will not be altered.

The Johnson Office have become more liberal. I think they will pass it. I think we will even get it by the Legion of Decency."

But the film was shown out of competition.

How did Finch come to be invited to the Japanese party?

He told me: "Their diplomatic representative approached me and said they would be honoured if I would attend. Naturally, I accepted and said I was honoured too."

Some of the Japanese stars

at Cannes saw the film when it was shown. Their reaction?

They cried. They thought it was lovely.

A legal struggle

BUT everything has to hang fire. In America a legal struggle is going on to stop Zanuck from giving up his executive job as production chief of the studios.

"It will take about 45 days until it is resolved. But I shall make the picture—either as head of the studio or as an independent producer."

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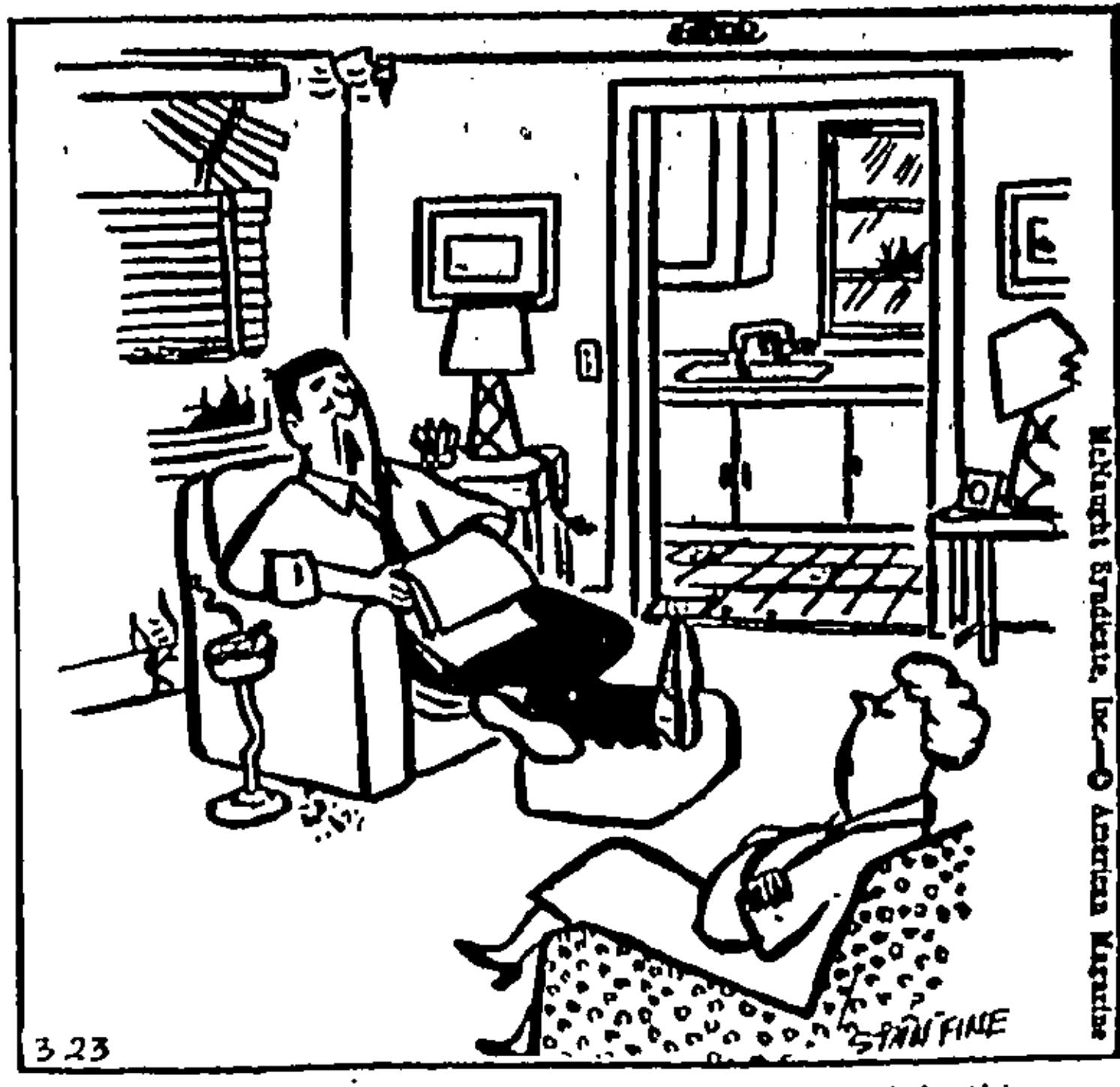
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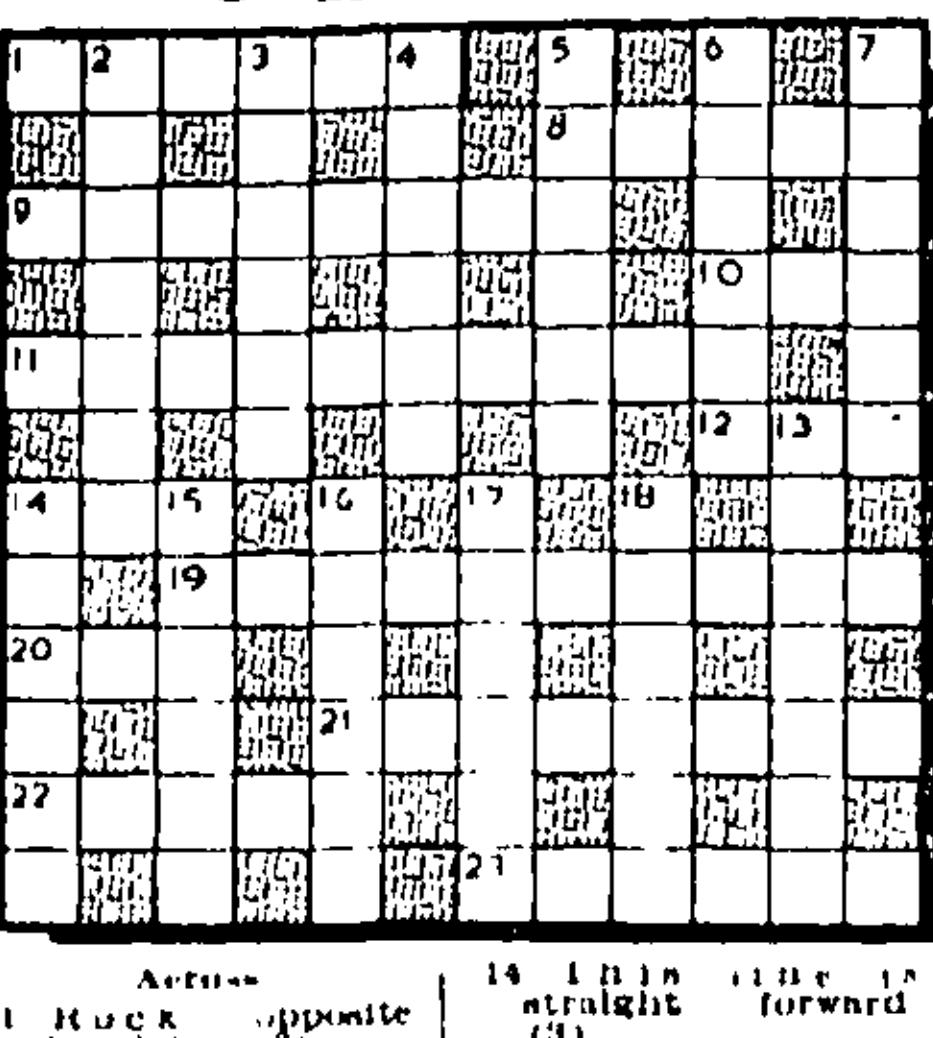
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This Funny World



"Look, some of us have to keep our heads while this do-it-yourself craze is sweeping the country!"

CROSSWORD



Across:
1. Hurts (opposite Charybdis) (6)
2. You're probably got one of your eye (6)
3. Food found among the ponies (6)
4. You find a wild girl here with Al (3)
5. They roll the stock (10)
12. It's a bind. (3)

Down:
2. The three... which Bonaparte thought was the rarest! (10)
3. This story does not necessarily ring true. (6)
4. Tzarina (3-3)
5. French (6)
6. The rut is short, but fast. (6)
7. Paul of the ride. (6)
11. Just for a wonder full idea. (7)
12. You may be too—and that may be a fault. (6)
13. The car is light and may be covered with chocolate. (6)
14. Is tart, somewhat tarted up. (6)
15. Harmon smote the Philistines and their ribs. (6)

Yesterday's solution

NORTH	26		
▲ J			
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9 5 3			
▲ 1 0 7 4			
WEST	EAST		
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▼ Q	▼ J 8 3		
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SOUTH (D)			
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▼ K 1 0 7			
♦ 4			
▲ Q 0			
Both sides vul			
South	West	North	East
1 ▲	2 ▲	Pass	2 ♦
3 ▲	4 ♦	Double	4 ♦
Pass	Pass	Double	Pass
4 ▲	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ K			

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 25

BORN today, you are intensely emotional. You have a touch of star dust in your destiny and it will develop into a brilliant career which will bring honours upon you, you may reach the heights of your greatest ambitions. Original in thought and action, you are a power-sparkler and are able to present your ideas so they are readily accepted by the public.

You have a fine mind. Learn to use it wisely. Your basic base is good and logical and can reason things out from a basic premise with convincing accuracy. You like to dig behind apparent surfaces and details and get down to basic causes. The mysteries and the occult fascinate you, and it is likely that you will be drawn to them almost prophetically. Force of the moment that you make of this gift. Used properly it can be a great source of strength, improvidence, it can bring you a great deal of pleasure.

Your home and family ties are strong and you will be happiest if you wed at an early age. You will be seeking a life partner who might wed at an early age in a state of perpetual frustration and considerable discontent.

Among those I have this date, among them Leopoldo, pianist, Bill

Robinson dancer, Gene Tunney

champion boxer, Clara

Louise Burkenhead author, John

Waldo

Conrad poet, Alexander

Dowle reformer; and

John D. Mott, YMCA leader, and

Marie Goree actress.

Yesterdays' solution

Q.—The bidding has been:

South West North East

Heart 2 Clubs 2 Diamonds Pass

You, South, hold:

▲ A ♠ K Q 9 4 3 ♦ Q 5 2 ♣ K 7 5

What do you do?

A—Bid three hearts. You must make a jump bid to do justice to your strong suit and your 18 points in high cards.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:

▲ A ♠ K Q 9 4 3 ♦ Q 5 2 ♣ K 7 5

What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

for you, but that may be what you want me to bid now!

TAROT (Aug. 21-May 21)—You can go far today. If you get an early start and really work hard at reaching your objective.

SATURDAY, MAY 26

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—One of your fine days this month. Increase your popularity and reach out to new and wider audiences.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—If you plan well and then follow through your blueprints with care and persistence, you are able to represent your ideas so they are readily accepted by the public.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—You can really be a long-distance runner if you participate in winning what you want in business or love!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—This is a fine day for all your efforts—multiple-starts for getting exactly what you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—New ideas in either business or personal affairs are well-received. Push is on to win.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—This is the day you have been waiting for! Blue skies are propitious for making your mark.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—You can reach for the stars today and expect that you will catch at least one in your net!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If you are alert to an opportunity and grasp it at once, then you will advance in business and financial matters.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 18)—Bend all your efforts toward producing at highest efficiency. The profits are bound to be great.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—The second day in a row for you when prospects are bright. Make the most of it and progress steadily.

ARIES (Mar. 21-April 19)—The emphasis may be upon romance

NOW that everything is getting bigger and bigger on the film screen, the producers and directors are abandoning the usual "Soul-shattering as dynamite," every scene has the impact of a hydrogen bomb. The accent now is on "A cast of 750,000," 123,000 elephants."

Hollywood notice is striking out on its own, and claims for his next film 94,700,178 locusts.

For this film, which deals with the capture of Constantinople by the Turks, the whole cast went to Verona, where an exact

replica of the ruins of Luxor was built by 500,000 workers.

For the creation of Actium more than 80,000 tons of lava was used, and the boiling oil was sieved (600,000 gallons) was brought from the Persian Gulf.

Yesterdays' solution

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

Yesterdays' solution

Yesterdays' solution</p

**HE DOESN'T TALK MUCH ABOUT ARCHIE, BUT—
POMPEY WILL TALK ABOUT
GREYHOUNDS FOR HOURS**

By HARRY CARPENTER

Two men jog through the narrow streets of this Wiltshire market town soon after sun-up. One is Yolande Pompey, sash-skinned Trinidad cruiserweight preparing for his world title fight with Champion Archie Moore at Harringay on June 5. The other is jockey Tommy Gosling, who lives in Devizes Castle. The two have struck up a firm friendship and are training together.

This is, of course racing country, with the Beckhampton, Marlborough, Ogbourne, and Manton stables nearby.

May 17 took Pompey to Bath races. Tommy rode two winners, 6-1 and 8-1. Said Pompey, in his light, lilting voice: "Man, I never backed either of them. What do you know about that?"

**WEEK-END
LAWN BOWLS
TEAMS**

The following players have been selected to represent the respective clubs in Lawn Bowls League fixtures over the weekend:

1st Division (Away) v KBGC: G. Thompson, A. M. Williams, D. Phillips, M. J. Ditchfield, W. Gaffney, J. Chubb (Skip); S. Y. Due, J. Tang, E. R. Rossetti, F. R. Kermish, C. Wilson, V. POC (Skip); T. C. W. Lam, G. Lee, R. S. Capelli (Skip); J. Doyley, L. Jones, H. Phoenix, J. N. Wong (Skip); W. J. Lock (Skip).

2nd Division (Home) v KBGC: J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon, Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

3rd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

4th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

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Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

5th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

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Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

6th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

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7th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

8th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

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13th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

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Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

14th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

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Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

15th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

16th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

17th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

18th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

19th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

20th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

21st Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

22nd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

23rd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

24th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

25th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

26th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

27th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

28th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

29th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

30th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

31st Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

32nd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

33rd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

34th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

35th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

36th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

37th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

38th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

39th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

40th Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

41st Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

J. A. White, S. Smith, L. Naylon,

Mandrake (Skip); J. W. Lam, R. A. Triggs (Skip); J. Lipscott, W. S. Edwards, G. S. Ladd, E. C. Fischer (Skip).

42nd Division (Home) v Cragener Cricket Club on Sunday—

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

LOMBARD HIT BY \$1 DIVIDEND CUT

Share Falls More Than \$12 In Week

DOCKS AT NEW HIGH

By A Special Correspondent

One share took a sharp nose dive on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this week and another tacked on \$2½ to show a \$10 gain in the last two months.

The share that crashed was Lombard Insurance. The company announced a \$2 dividend last Friday. In 1953 and 1954 they paid \$3.

The \$1 cut was a shock to the market and the share dropped from \$60½ sellers last Thursday to \$48 sellers yesterday.

Docks Go Up

The share that rose was Hongkong Docks. At \$41½ it is at its highest price for many years—certainly as far back as my records show (1951).

Reason for the rise? As I pointed out last month, the company showed a profit of more than \$4 million last year—highest since 1952—out of which it paid a \$3.50 dividend and bonus.

Not only are earning prospects bright but the company has also sold land in Hung Hom which nets more than \$5 million—and there is talk on the market of a good bonus.

The rest of the market was dull again and prices took another small drop on the week. Turnover at \$2.35 million in a three-and-a-half days trading week is slightly better—but only slightly. Last week it was just over \$2 million. The previous week it was \$2.77 million.

Dull Conditions

Of the 29 issues in the adjoining panel, 15 are lower on the week, 11 are steady and only three are higher.

Apart from Docks, the only two to rise were Yaumatis (up \$1 to \$107 on tunnel project speculation) and Trams (up 10 cents to \$22.70).

Trading conditions in the words of one broker were "extremely dull with prices inclined to sag because of lack of incentive."

He adds: "It appears difficult to give any definite explanation for the present state of the market unless it is cautiously watching the trend of world markets which also seem to be going through a dull period."

Gilt Lower

In the gilt section, apart from Lombards, both Banks and Unions were slightly lower.

In docks, Wharves and Providents were also slightly lower. Lands were fairly steady.

Apart from Trams and Yaumatis, Utilities were lower and China Lights edged down yesterday from \$22.70 to \$22.5. Electric and Telephones also lost ground slightly during the day.

New York Sugar Market

New York, May 24. World No. 4 sugar futures today closed unchanged at 1 point lower with sales of 140 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged at 1 point higher with sales of 14 contracts. Trade buying and covering orders in the nearby world deliveries were supplied through realising and hedge selling. The domestic contract lacked a special feature.

Contract No. 4 (world)

July	3.25
Sep.	3.25
Oct.	3.25
Mar.	3.25
July	3.25
Sept.	3.25
July	3.25
Sept.	3.25
Spot (cents per lb. fob Club)	3.24
Contract No. 6	3.52
July	3.52
Sept.	3.52
Nov.	3.52
Spot (cents per lb. fob ex-duty)	3.52
United Press	3.52

★ The Share Market At A Glance ★

	Apr 26	May 3	May 10	May 17	May 24	Up or down
HK Bank	1075m	1070	1060	1055	1055	-\$5
Lombard	60	60	60½	60½	60½	-\$5
Union	990b	990	972½xd	972½d	972½d	-\$5
Underwriters	9n	9n	9n	9n	9n	steady
Union W/boat	20.10b	20.50n	21b	21b	21b	steady
Wheelsocks	8.70	8.85	8.85	8.70	8.70	-\$1
HK Wharf	78	80b	82	81	80b	+\$2
HK Dock	37½	37½	39	39m	41½b	+\$2½
Provident	14	13.80	13.80	13.70	13.60	-\$1
HK Hotels	62½b	63½b	63	62½b	62½b	-\$1
Humphreys	17.40s	17.40s	17.40s	17.40s	17.30s	-\$1
HK Realty	22.60	22.80	22.60	22.60	22.70	+\$1
HK Trans	130b	132b	130	137s	136m	-\$1
Star Ferry	103	103	105	107	107	+\$1
Yau Ma Tei	22.60	22.80	22.50	22.70	22.50	-\$2
Ch. Lights (a)	19.70	19.90	19.90	19.80	19.80	-\$1
Electric	30½	31	30½	30½	30½	-\$1
HK Telephone	22.75m	23	22.50	22.40	22.40	-\$1
G.I. Cement	35	35½	35½	34.75	34.75	-\$1
Dairy Farm	16.20	16.30	16.10	15.90	15.90	-\$2
A.S. Watson	11.20	11	10.80	10.80	10.80	-\$1
Lane Crawford	34n	34n	34n	34n	34n	-\$1
Yangtze	6.00	6.75	6.75n	6.80s	6.80s	+\$1
Allied	5.40	5.45	5.45s	5.40n	5.20b	-\$2
HK & FE Inv	11.20s	11	10.80n	10.80	11.10s	+\$1
Textile Corp	6.45	5.40b	5.35	5.30	5.30	-\$1
Nanyang	8s	7.80s	7.75b	7.65m	7.65m	-\$1

Wall Street Stocks Slashed 2½ Billion

New York, May 24. Stocks valuations were down another 2½ billion today, bringing to a total of some 12 billion slash in the market values since the industrial average achieved an all time high on April 6.

Turnover today totalled 2,140,000 shares, compared with 2,140,000 shares yesterday. Steel shares were especially hard hit with losses ranging past 2 points. Bethlehem, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, National Steel. Steel men attending the American Iron and Steel Institute meeting this week have predicted a third quarter dip for the industry.

Rails also were slashed, with declines ranging over 4 points in Union Pacific, Louisville & Nashville, Southern Railway.

Oils had losses of 2 to 3 points in such leaders of California Standard, Shell, Texas Co.

Metals lost 2 to nearly 4

points in Aluminum and Alcan, Kennecott, and Anaconda.

In chemicals, Allied lost more than 3. Du Pont more than 2.

Earlier, traders were noticeably hesitant after yesterday's upset on the heels of what had appeared to be a substantial recovery movement.

The break looked like a selling climax today. However, there was a late rally in the day, putting reporting tickers 33 minutes late at work in floor transaction.

New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$4,230,000. American Stock Exchange volume was 1,080,000 shares.

Closing Prices

Allied Chemicals	\$111½
Allied Mills Inc.	34½
Allis Chalmers	30½
American Metal	50
American Oil	180½
American Tel & Tel	70½
American Tobacco	20½
Anaconda Copper	20½
Armco Steel	12½
Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton	12½
Baltimore & Ohio	20½
Bendix Aviation Corp.	143½
Borg-Warner	70
Buccino Airplane	20½
Burroughs Add Machine	20½
Canadian Pacific	12½
Caterpillar Co.	12½
Chrysler Motors	42½
Consolidated Edison	112
Continental C. of Del.	15½
Cookson Amer. Sugar	22½
Diamond Alkali	20½
Dupont de Nemours	64½
Eastman National Gao	20
Eric Railroad	22½
Ford Motor	54
General Electric	50½
General Foods	41
Goodyear	10½
H. K. Chemical	34
Homestake Mining Co.	34
Intl. Harvester	32½
International Nickel	92
International Paper	120½
Int'l Tel & Tel	31½

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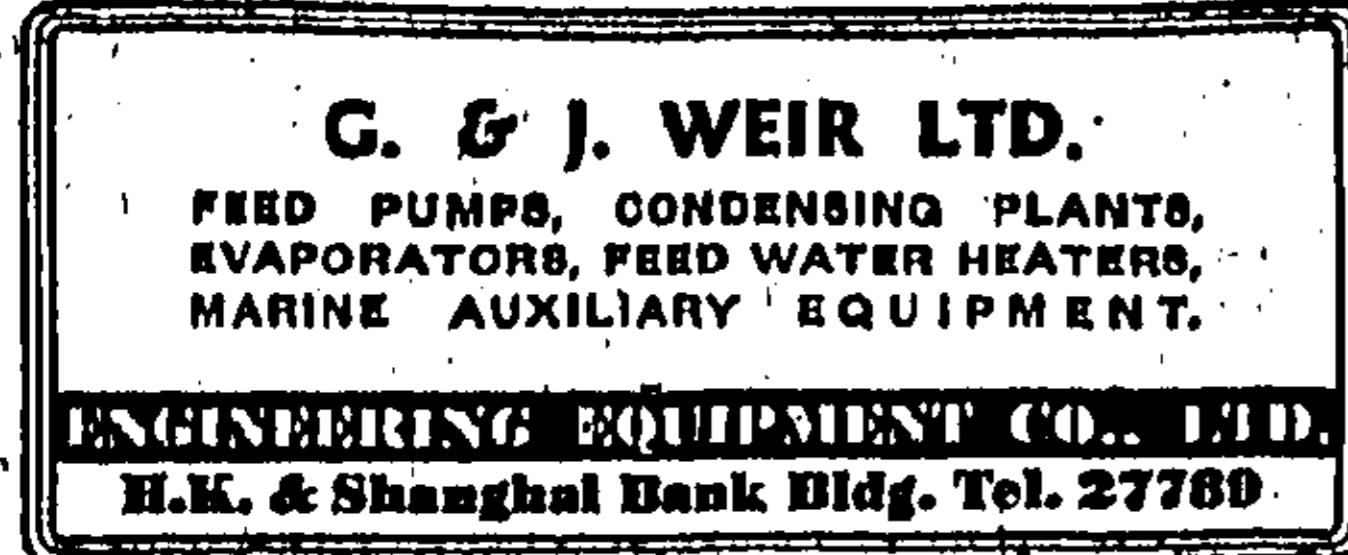
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FRIDAY, MAY 25, 1956.

JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

Henry In A Woman's World

THE self-service grocer's shop was crowded with women doing their shopping for the week-end. Briskly, methodically, the housewives thrust their way through the store, giving no quarter, expecting none. It was no place for a man to be. But a man was there.

The name was Henry and his progress from shelf to shelf and bin to bin was painfully slow, groping, fumbling, compared with that of the women who surrounded him.

Naturally, Henry attracted attention - passing looks of scorn, shot with pity, mostly. But one pair of eyes dwelt on him longer. The store detective's eyes.

INTO HIS POCKET

SHE presently saw Henry slip two bars of chocolate and a slab of toffee not into the wire-basket as he should have done, but into his pocket.

The detective trailed him, saw him pay 11s. 1d. for the goods in his basket, and followed him into the street. There Henry paused to check the shopping list, with which his wife had provided him before herself, going off to work.

"Excuse me," the detective said to him. "I believe you have in your pocket."

She listed the items. "You've made a mistake," said Henry, but he agreed to go back with her to the manager's office. There, he confessed to his thefts. "I've been out of work," he said. "I'd no money for cigarettes or sweets or anything."

ONLY 3s. WAS HIS

At the Marylebone court A Henry pleaded guilty to stealing 1s. 9d. worth of chocolates and sweets. "When he was arrested," a policeman told the magistrate, Mr Geoffrey Raphael, "he had 2s. 7d. on him, but he says that only 3s. of that was his, the rest was his wife's."

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ROBBERY TRIAL

Accused Is Closely Questioned

The third of three accused on trial at the Criminal Sessions on a charge of robbery with aggravation this morning was cross-examined at length by the prosecution counsel.

"He was out of work for a short time, but for the past two weeks he has been earning £8 10s. as a messenger. He has alternate Saturdays off, and does the household shopping while his wife goes to her work."

"She earns £6 a week. There are no children."

NO SWEETS, NOTHING

"WHAT do you want to say?" the magistrate asked Henry, a tall, thin man of 27.

"It was only I knew we would have anything for all the weekend," he said, half sobbing. "There were no sweets, no cigarettes, nothing, and we'd have to stop in. It's been like that three weeks now..."

"Does his firm know about this?" the magistrate asked.

"The police haven't told them," an officer said.

"Please sir, my wife contacted my firm this morning. She said I wasn't very well, and I'd be in as soon as possible."

TERRIBLE, TERRIBLE

"WELL, it would be a great tragedy if your whole life was messed up because of this," said the magistrate. "You will be remanded on bail until your next Saturday. Come back then, and I hope I shall be able to deal with you in a way that won't involve prison."

"Thank you, sir," Henry gulped. He went away, back to his work. "How are you?" they would ask him there, solicitously.

"I'm all right now. But I feel terrible this morning, terrible." Henry would be able to reply - with truth.

HATED ENEMY

Mr Rea: "Your story is that on the night of March 19 the first unoccupied taxi that came down was driven by your hatted enemy?"

Chin: "I do not know how many taxis came by us but when this one came up to me I recognised the driver, because he put his head out of the window."

In answer to his Lordship, Chin agreed that the taxi drew up to him in Chater Road under a street lamp. He said that the place was brightly lit by the lamp and he could see the driver clearly when he drew his taxi near.

His Lordship: "Then he could see you just as clearly as you saw him?"

Chin: "I do not know if he could see me clearly, but I saw him."

Chin agreed with counsel that the taxi had a right hand drive.

GREAT FRIENDS

He further agreed with Mr Rea that he and the second accused were great friends and that he would do anything for him (the second accused) and his friends. He did not know the first accused before March 19.

Chin said that he saw the first accused's wife in North Point two nights before the incident at about midnight. He knew that was the first accused's wife because she knew she was the older sister of the second accused. The second accused had told him before that he was married, first accused.

Chin agreed that he had seen her within the last two years and the last occasion he had seen her was at Chinese New Year.

DREW OUT KNIFE

When Chin and the second accused attacked the taxi driver, Leung Kwan drew out a knife, with the blade opened and threatened them. The three of them then alighted from the vehicle and the driver told Chin that he had knowledge of his master's whereabouts in Shaukwan. Chin said the driver then pushed some money into his pockets. He tried to give it back to the driver but the driver refused it by pushing his hand away.

Asked by Mr Rea why he should accept money from his hated enemy, Chin said: "I wanted to pay when the complainant told him the news of his mother. Chin said he then accepted the money, but added that he would later again result Leung Kwan.

The attorney general said: "The first and second accused embraced the driver. They told me to point the knife at him. They told me to search him. I found £3 and put it into my pocket."

Hearing is continuing.

Redemption Of Govt Bonds

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Friday, June 15, as the day on which bonds to the value of one twenty-fifth of the amounts issued shall be drawn for redemption, the Government Gazette announced this morning.

The bonds so drawn will be redeemed on Monday, July 16.

The drawing will be held at the office of the Accountant-General, Prince's Building, Ice House Street, at 2.30 p.m. on June 15.

It was notified in the Government Gazette this morning that the names of Mr. John Desmond Ollington, Mr. Brian Poole and Mr. Roy Robertson have been added to the list of authorized auditors.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

HOSPITAL APPEAL

Sir.—Last year an appeal for funds for the Matilda and War Memorial Hospital met with a truly splendid support and resulted in donations amounting to £165,510 including £50,000 from the Hongkong Jockey Club and £6,000 from the Norwegian National Health Office.

This year we are appealing to you again but with brighter hopes that, with the continued support of the community the annual deficit will be further reduced.

You will observe from the attached copy of the Hospital's Annual Report for 1955 that the accounts for 1955 show a cash surplus of £81,387.68 against a cash deficit in 1954 of £154,102.02. After allowing for depreciation of assets other than buildings, for which no provision is made, there is a net deficit of £30,135.65 only as compared with a deficit of £200,710.32 in 1954.

This improvement is due in a large measure to the generous response to our appeal last year but partly also to the economies which have been effected in the operation of the hospital and an increased income from investments and rentals.

One disappointing feature of the past year was the drop in the number of patients. This led the Board to give priority in its reorganisation plans to certain proposals which were made to Government that it should either take over our spare land and buildings or use our surplus accommodation to ease congestion in Government hospitals. Unfortunately none of these proposals was acceptable to Government so the Board are now putting in train certain reconstruction plans whereby the hospital's activities will be concentrated in and around the new Graybury Wing. These measures should result in smaller and more compact hospital and still leave adequate accommodation for all classes of patients.

While these reconstruction measures should be completed by the end of this year the full benefit from them will not materialise until next year. They will inevitably involve certain capital expenditure so that in our budget for this year we must rely on the same measure of financial support as was so generously accorded last year.

Our target, therefore, is the same as last year, namely, £100,000.

In anticipation of our appeal the American community has already led the way with a donation of \$20,000 and we hope that the other national communities will likewise recognise the 1955 contributions.

The Board invite the community to make the fullest use of the hospital's services.

Although the number of patients admitted free or at reduced charges increased last year the Board wish particularly to remind the community that provision for those who cannot afford the normal charges for accommodation is one of the main functions of the hospital under its constitution.

All contributions whether from

Peak Trams Carried Nearly 2 Million Passengers

Nearly 2,000,000 passengers were carried by the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd, during the year under review — an increase of more than 10,000 over the previous year, it was announced by Mr W. A. Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Directors, at the company's annual general meeting at Gloucester Building this morning.

The profit, however, was lower than the previous year, due almost entirely to unusual expenditure of a non-recurring nature, but the results justified an increased dividend. A payment of \$5 and \$2.50 per share was recommended.

Mr Stewart said:

It is with the greatest regret that the Directors record the death of Sir Robert Ho Tung, K.B.E., Kt., LL.D., Connaught Legion of Honour. Sir Robert served the company as a Director for over 30 years and, in that time, had seen it pass through many vicissitudes. He played his full part in all our affairs and we shall miss him, not only for his wise counsel, but for the friendly and kindly spirit which he brought into all our meetings. We express our sincere condolences to the members of the bereaved family.

In presenting the accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1955, it is necessary to explain that the reduction in profit is almost entirely due to unusual expenditure of a non-recurring nature.

The net profit for the year is \$380,710. To this is added the balance brought forward of \$51,413, plus \$75,500, being increase in revaluation of stores, and deducted the sum of \$45,538 reserved for Corporation Profits Tax. The amount available for appropriation is therefore \$402,644. The Directors' recommendation for dealing with this balance are set out in their report and accounts and, it is hoped, meet with shareholders' approval.

Comparison with the previous year's figures in the profit & loss account discloses that revenue was greater by \$6,098 and expenses plus charges were higher by \$6,122. The result therefore is a decrease of the net profit of \$53,423.

Traffic receipts were lower by \$230 (the first decrease in many years) and rents received were \$6,300 less but these reductions were more than offset by dividends on investment of \$12,102 which appears in the accounts for the first time.

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS

The heavy increase in expenditure is mainly in maintenance and repairs, \$60,120, and in stores used, \$10,400, other items in the profit & loss account showing minor fluctuations.

The former principally represents the replacement of windows in Victoria Peak Apartments and the latter by the necessity of using two wire ropes instead of the normal average of one per year. As our buildings are now in good shape, it is expected that the cost of maintenance can be stabilized in the future at a much lower figure. As regards traffic receipts, the period of use varies considerably, one having served over 4 years whilst another had to be replaced within 1 year, so that fluctuations in the annual charge on this account can be expected.

The balance sheet discloses a very healthy position. The appropriations now recommended bring the general reserve and carry forward to an amount of \$601,241—\$106,241 in excess of our issued capital, and the provision of \$200,000 for redling gratuities is at present sufficient for the purpose intended. Last year I stated that, as the company was well consolidated, the Board would give consideration to an increased return to shareholders within the scope of future results. In spite of the profit for 1955/6 being lower than the previous year, the Directors consider that, having consolidated all positions, the results justify an increased dividend and accordingly recommend payment of \$5 and \$2.50 per share.

Our buildings and all plant, machinery, etc. connected with the tramway are being maintained in good order. The old wooden car has become obsolete and a new and improved metal car is at present under construction. This has been designed with many improvements besides a capacity of 72 passengers against the capacity of 62 passengers in the metal cars at present in use.

During the year under review, nearly two million passengers were carried, an increase of more than ten thousand over the previous year. Traffic receipts, however, show a small decrease, which is explained by

New Liquor Licence Fees

Amended regulations to the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance are published in the Government Gazette today and they include revised liquor licence charges as follows:

If a bar is kept on the premises: (1) in the New Territories, except New Kowloon, \$500 per annum; (2) elsewhere, \$1,000 per annum.

If a bar is not kept on the premises: (1) in the New Territories, except New Kowloon, \$250 per annum; (2) elsewhere, \$500 per annum.

Transfer of licence to other person, \$10.

Club liquor licence, \$250 per annum; transfer of licence to other person, \$10.

Temporary liquor licence for public entertainment or on any public occasion, \$50 per day.

Permit for extension of hours in respect of sale of intoxicating liquors by holders of liquor licences: to the general public, for the first hour \$25, for each subsequent hour \$50; to members of a private party, for the first hour \$10, for each subsequent hour \$20.

The amended regulations delete the old publican's licence and the licence fees based on the rateable value of the premises, and the restaurant adjunct licence. They also delete the Chinese restaurant licence, and the licence fees based on the rateable value of the premises.

LICENSING JUSTICES

The Government Gazette this morning announced that the composition of the Board of Licensing Justices for Hong Kong, Kowloon and New Kowloon under the provisions of section 49(2) of the Dutiable Commodities Ordinance, as amended and of clause 17 of the Dutiable Commodities (Amendment) Ordinance, 1956, is as follows:—

The Hon. Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Chairman; the Solicitor-General, Vice-Chairman; the Hon. Kwok Chen, Mr D. Black, the Hon. Lo Man-wat, Mrs C. d'Almada e Castro and Mrs R. Losby.

It was also announced that Mr J. J. Swaine had been appointed Secretary to the Board.

Brewin Trust Fund

Mr Loong Ping-tong, Chairman, Tung Wah Hospital, and Mr Hui Yip, Chairman, Po Leung Kuk, have been appointed by His Excellency the Governor to be Members of the Brewin Trust Fund Committee. It was notified in the Government Gazette this morning.

Mr W. A. Stewart as Directors and seconded by Mr J. Arnold.

The proposal for the re-appointment of Messrs Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. as Auditors for the ensuing year was made by Mr R. P. Mardulyn and seconded by Mr D. E. Clark.

Present at the meeting were Mr A. Stewart, Mr H. Kadoorie, Mr H. D. Nathan (Directors), Mr G. M. Davoux (Secretary), Mr J. Arnold, Mr. D. E. Clark, Mr R. P. Mardulyn and Mr D. Black (representing the Auditors).

Before the meeting started, those present stood for a while in silence as a mark of respect for Sir Robert Ho Tung.

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